

Forcing the Satellite Radio companies to discontinue the Traffic and Weather channels would be a great dis-service to the public. Personally I have found the weather and Traffic Channel on XM Radio for my home area of Boston to be as comprehensive or better than any similar service offered on any of my local AM and FM stations. Also the fact that the XM service is provided 24 hours a day 7 days a week means that I can easily get my entire forecast within a few short minutes, as opposed to waiting for the next AM/FM broadcast if any at all. This along with the commercial free music and wide variety of programming is exactly the reason I gladly pay a monthly fee for Satellite Radio and have not listened to Broadcast AM/FM for almost a year now. If the Satellite Radio services can not offer local Weather and Traffic Services across the entire National Service, then I propose that LOCAL AM/FM stations be BANNED from broadcasting National News to their LOCAL broadcasting areas.

There is a better way. Satellite Radio is that way, and NAB should be supporting such a public service as it is showing just how bad the regular AM/FM stations have become when it comes to delivering quality content that people really want and need.

Today Satellite Radio is the only service that truly delivers content in the way that NAB was originally formed to ensure. I guess NAB isn't making enough money from the SAT companies.